GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS
LOK SABHA

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NEW NATIONAL HIGHWAYS IN ORISSA
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Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government of Orissa has sent any proposal for the declaration of Fulnakhara (at N.H. No.5) Niali-Madhab-Charichhak-Gop-Konark-Puri (at N.H.No.203) length about 100 km. as a new National Highway;

(b) if so, when and in view of Konark being declared by UNESCO as an international heritage centre;

(c) whether the Central Government would declare the road connecting Konark as a new National Highway and take steps for developing the road expeditiously; and

(d) if not, reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) MAJOR GENERAL (RETI KHANDURI, AVSM

(a) to (d) The proposal for upgradation of Phulnakhara-Puri road had been received from the State Government of Orissa in January, 2001. The proposal would be considered alongwith similar proposals received from other State Governments after finalisation of the Tenth Five Year Plan keeping in view the traffic needs, inter-se priority and availability of funds.